IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR RCE APPLICATION

MAIL STOP AFTER FINAL Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed January 16, 2007, in which a three (3) month shortened period for response in the above-identified application was set, Applicants request continuing examination of this invention with the following claim amendments and in view of the following remarks. An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.

Applicants petition for a three-month extension of the period for response, to and including July 16, 2007. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee for the extension to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

It is believed that no additional fee is due. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessary to consider the application under the RCE provisions to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin